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Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97-1.98 and MPEP § 609, the Applicant, through his attorneys, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the references noted on the attached Form PTO-1449.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing on Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicant, to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

Since this statement is being filed before the first Office Action has been mailed, no fees are believed to be necessary; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 501458.

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Respectfully submitted,

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